



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **ISHII, Koji, et al.**

Group Art Unit: **2885**

Serial No.: **10/808,509**

Examiner: **David J. MAKIYA**

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**FOR: DIAL PLATE, A METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE DIAL PLATE, AND AN APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING THE DIAL PLATE**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 11, 2007

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination in response to the Final Office Action dated **May 11, 2007**, extended from August 11, 2007 to September 11, 2007 by a one (1) month petition for extension of time. Prior to further examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.